

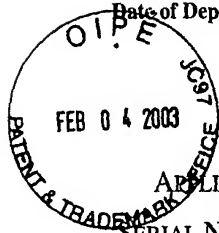
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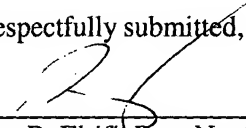
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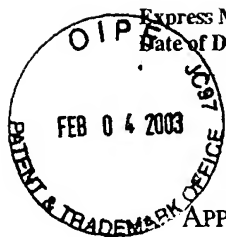

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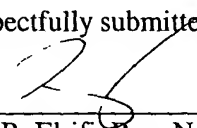
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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the attached modified Form PTO-1449, as well as copies of the listed documents.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified case. Accordingly, no fee or certification is believed required.

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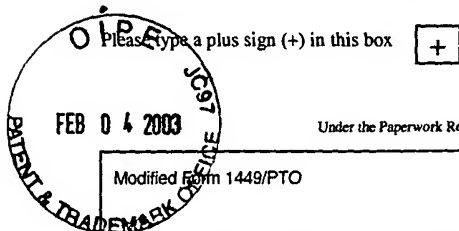
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